

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND claims 1-3, 5-21, 23, 27, 30-36, 45-47, 49-60, 63-64, 67, and 69;

Please CANCEL claims 35 and 67-69, without prejudice or disclaimer; and

Please ADD claim 70, as shown below.

1. (Currently Amended) ~~An apparatus~~ A system, comprising:

a first system entity configured to provide a multimedia messaging service to a user equipment connected to a network of a system; and

a second system entity configured to provide a value added service to a user of the user equipment via the multimedia messaging service,

wherein the first system entity is configured to send a message to the second system entity,

wherein the message comprises roaming information about the user equipment, and

wherein the second system entity is configured to use the roaming information when providing the value added service to the user equipment.

2. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~ system of claim 1, wherein the roaming information comprises a roaming status configured to indicate whether the user equipment is roaming outside a home network of the user equipment.

3. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 1, wherein the roaming information comprises an address of a switching center that the user equipment is using.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 1, wherein the second system entity is configured to adapt, based on the roaming information, content of at least one multimedia message to be delivered to the user equipment.

6. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 5, wherein the second system entity is configured to encrypt or decrypt at least part of the content of the at least one multimedia message to be delivered to the user equipment according to the roaming information.

7. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 6, wherein the second system entity is configured to use digital rights management to perform the encryption or decryption.

8. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 1, wherein the second system entity is configured to determine, based on the roaming information, whether the

value added service is providable to the user equipment.

9. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 1, wherein the second system entity is configured to select a route or a destination of at least one multimedia message to be delivered to the user of the user equipment according to the roaming information.

10. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 3, wherein the second system entity is configured to determine a location of the user equipment according to the address of the switching center that the user equipment is using and provide the user equipment with information relating to the determined location.

11. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 1, wherein the second system entity is configured to determine charging related information according to the roaming information and to add the charging related information to at least one message to be delivered to the user equipment.

12. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 1, wherein the first system entity is configured to send the message comprising the roaming information about the user equipment to the second system entity in response to a request received from the second system entity.

13. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 1, wherein the first system entity is configured to obtain information about a location of the user equipment from another system entity and to determine the roaming information about the user equipment according to the obtained location information before sending the message comprising the roaming information about the user equipment to the second system entity.

14. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 1, wherein the message comprising the roaming information about the user equipment comprises a multimedia messaging interface message.

15. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 14, wherein the message comprising the roaming information about the user equipment comprises a multimedia messaging delivery request message or a multimedia messaging delivery report request message.

16. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 1, wherein the first system entity comprises a multimedia messaging service center.

17. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~-system of claim 1, wherein the second

system entity comprises a multimedia messaging service value added service application.

18. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~system of claim 1, wherein the user equipment comprises a mobile station.

19. (Currently Amended) A method ~~for providing a multimedia messaging service in a telecommunications system comprising a first system entity configured to provide multimedia messaging service to a user equipment connected to a network of the system, and a second system entity configured to provide a value added service to a user of the user equipment via the multimedia messaging service, the method comprising:~~

~~sending~~receiving a message comprising roaming information about a user equipment from the a first system~~network~~ entity to the second system entity, wherein the message ~~comprises roaming information about the user equipment~~providing a multimedia messaging service; and

providing a value added service to a user of the user equipment via the multimedia messaging service using the received ~~roaming information when providing the value added service to the user equipment.~~

20. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein the ~~sending comprises sending the message comprising roaming information, wherein the~~ roaming information comprises a roaming status configured to indicate whether the user equipment is roaming

outside a home network of the user equipment.

21. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein the ~~sending comprises~~
~~sending the message that comprises roaming information, wherein the roaming~~
information comprises an address of a switching center that the user equipment is using.

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, further comprising:
~~adapting, in the second system entity, _~~content of at least one multimedia message
to be delivered to the user equipment according to the roaming ~~information~~ information.

24. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, further comprising:
encrypting at least part of content of at least one multimedia message to be
delivered to the user equipment according to the roaming information.

25. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, further comprising:
using digital rights management to perform the encryption.

26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, further comprising:
determining whether a value added service is providable to the user equipment

according to the roaming information.

27. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, further comprising:

~~selecting, in the second system entity,~~ a route or a destination of at least one multimedia message to be delivered to ~~a~~the user of the user equipment according to the roaming information.

28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, further comprising:

~~determining, in the second system entity,~~ a location of the user equipment according to the address of the switching center that the user equipment is using; and
providing the user equipment with information relating to the determined location.

29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, further comprising:

determining charging related information according to the roaming information;
and

adding the charging related information to at least one multimedia message to be delivered to the user equipment.

30. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, ~~further comprising: sending the message, which comprises the roaming information about the user equipment, from the first system entity to the second system entity in response to a~~further comprising:

sending a request for the roaming information about the user equipment to the network entity~~received in the first system entity from the second system entity.~~

31. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, further comprising:

obtaining information about a location of the user equipment from another ~~system~~ network entity than the ~~first system~~network entity; and

~~determining the roaming information about the user equipment according to the obtained location information before sending the message comprising the roaming information about the user equipment from the first system entity to the second system entity.~~

32. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein the message ~~comprising the roaming information about the user equipment~~ comprises a multimedia messaging interface message.

33. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 32, wherein the message ~~comprising the roaming information about the user equipment~~ comprises a multimedia messaging delivery request message or a multimedia messaging delivery report request message.

34. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein the ~~sending~~ comprises

~~sending the message from the first system entity, wherein the first system~~network entity comprises a multimedia messaging service center.

35. (Cancelled)

36. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein the ~~sending comprises sending the message comprising the roaming information about the user equipment, wherein the user equipment is a mobile station.~~

37-44 (Cancelled)

45. (Currently Amended) ~~A value added service providing element configured to~~An apparatus, comprising:

~~provide a value added service to a user of user equipment connected to a network via a multimedia messaging service that is provided by a multimedia messaging service providing system entity;~~

a receiver configured to receive a message from the a network entity providing a multimedia messaging service~~providing system entity~~, wherein the message comprises roaming information about ~~the a~~ user equipment, and

wherein the apparatus is configured to provide a value added service to a user of the user equipment via the multimedia messaging service use using the received roaming

~~information when providing the value added service to the user equipment.~~

46. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 45, wherein the roaming information comprises a roaming status configured to indicate whether the user equipment is roaming outside a home network of the user equipment.

47. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 45, wherein the roaming information comprises an address of a switching center that the user equipment is using.

48. (Cancelled)

49. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 45, wherein the ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus is configured to adapt content of at least one multimedia message to be delivered to the user equipment according to the roaming information.

50. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 49, wherein the ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus is configured to encrypt at least part of the content of at least one multimedia message to be delivered to

the user equipment according to the roaming information.

51. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 50, wherein the ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus is configured to perform the encryption by using digital rights management.

52. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 45, wherein the ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus is configured to determine, whether the value added service is providable to the user equipment according to the roaming information.

53. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 45, wherein the ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus is configured to select a route or a destination of at least one multimedia message to be delivered to the user of the user equipment according to the roaming information.

54. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 47, wherein the ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus is configured to determine a location of the user equipment according to the address of the switching center that the user equipment is using and to provide the user equipment with information relating to the determined location.

55. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 45, wherein the ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus is configured to determine charging related information according to the roaming information and to add the charging related information to at least one multimedia message to be delivered to the user equipment.

56. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 45, wherein the ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus is configured to request the roaming information about the user equipment from the multimedia messaging service providing ~~system~~network entity.

57. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 45, wherein the message comprising the roaming information about the user equipment comprises multimedia messaging interface message.

58. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 57, wherein the message comprising the roaming information about the user equipment comprises a multimedia delivery request message or a multimedia messaging delivery report request message.

59. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 45, further comprising a multimedia messaging service value added service application.

60. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium comprising a computer program set, wherein the execution of the program set in a computer ~~connected to a telecommunications system~~ causes the computer to execute:

~~providing a value added service to a user of user equipment connected to a network of a telecommunications system via a multimedia messaging service that is provided by a multimedia messaging service providing system entity;~~

receiving a message from ~~the~~ a network entity providing a multimedia messaging service providing system entity, wherein the message comprises roaming information about ~~the~~ a user equipment; and

providing a value added service to a user of the user equipment via the multimedia messaging service using the roaming information ~~when providing the value added service to the user equipment.~~

61. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, further comprising:
decrypting at least part of content of at least one multimedia message to be delivered to the user equipment according to the roaming information.

62. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 61, further comprising:
using digital rights management to perform the decryption.

63. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 49, wherein the ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus is configured to decrypt at least part of the content of the at least one multimedia message to be delivered to the user equipment according to the roaming information.

64. (Currently Amended) The ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus of claim 63, wherein the ~~value added service providing element~~apparatus is configured to use digital rights management to perform the decryption.

65. (Previously Presented) A system, comprising:
a first system entity means for providing multimedia messaging service to a user equipment connected to a network of the system;
a second system entity means for providing a value added service to a user of the user equipment via the multimedia messaging service; and
sending means for sending a message from the first system entity means to the second system entity means, wherein the message comprises roaming information about user equipment,
wherein the second system entity means is configured to use the roaming

information when providing the value added service to the user equipment.

66. (Previously Presented) A method, comprising:

providing a multimedia messaging service to user equipment connected to a network of a system;

providing a value added service to a user of the user equipment via the multimedia messaging service;

sending a message from a first system entity to a second system entity, wherein the message comprises roaming information about the user equipment; and

using the roaming information when providing the value added service to the user equipment.

67-69 (Cancelled).

70. (New) An apparatus, comprising:

receiving means for receiving a message from a network entity providing a multimedia messaging service, wherein the message comprises roaming information about a user equipment, and

providing means for providing a value added service to a user of the user equipment via the multimedia messaging service using the received roaming information.